

South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control

INVITATION FOR BID

Solicitation Number
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Procurement
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IFB.CON.12/04/07-MAR November 9, 2007 Michelle Robinson, CPPB

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See "Questions From Offerors" provision

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DESCRIPTION: Provide Contraceptive Devices

USING GOVERNMENT AGENCY: SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

The Term "Offer" Means Your "Bid" or "Proposal".

SUBMIT OFFER BY: (Opening Date/Time): December 4, 2007 See "Deadline for Submission of Offer" provision

NUMBER OF COPIES TO BE SUBMITTED: 1 Original and 1 Copy marked as "Copy"

QUESTIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY: 5:00 PM on November 20,

2007

Offers must be submitted in a sealed package. Solicitation Number & Opening Date must appear on package exterior.

SUBMIT YOUR SEALED OFFER TO EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING ADDRESSES:

MAILING ADDRESS:	PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
SC DHEC	SC DHEC
Division of Procurement Services	Division of Procurement Services
Bureau of Business Management	Bureau of Business Management
2600 Bull Street	2600 Bull Street, Room 1200 – Aycock Bldg.
Columbia, SC 29201	Columbia, SC 29201

Offers Must Be Sealed: See "Submitting Your Offer" provision

be posted at the following web address: http://www.scdhec.net/procurement

Award will be posted on or after December 11, 2007. The award, this solicitation, and any amendments will

You must submit a signed copy of this form with Your Offer. By submitting a bid or proposal, You agree to be bound by the terms of the Solicitation. You agree to hold Your Offer open for a minimum of thirty (30) calendar days after the Opening Date.					
	(Full legal name of business submitting the offer)				
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE (Person signing must be authorized to submit binding offer to enter contract on beha above.)	□ Partnership □ Corporate entity (not tax-exempt) □ Tax –exempt corporate entity □ Government entity (federal, state, or				
	(Business title of person signing above)				
PRINTED NAME (Printed name of person signing above)	DATE SIGNED	□ Other			
		(See "Signing Your Offer" provision.)			
Instructions regarding Offeror's name: Any award issued will be issued to, and the contract will be formed with, the entity identified as the offeror above. An offer may be submitted by only one legal entity. The entity named as the offeror must be a single and distinct legal entity. Do not use the name of a branch office or a division of a larger entity if the branch or division is not a separate legal entity, <i>i.e.</i> , a separate corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, etc.					
STATE OF INCORPORATION	(If offeror is a corpo	oration, identify the state of Incorporation.)			
TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NO.	STATE \	/ENDOR NO.			

(See "Taxpayer Identification Number"

DHEC 0137 (REV. 3/2007)

provision)

AWARD &

AMENDMENTS

SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL SOLICITATION NUMBER: IFB.CON.12/04/07-MAR

PAGE TWO

(Return Page Two with Your Offer)

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number and its date of issue.											
See "Amendments to Solicitation" Provision											
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resident vendor is an offeror that (a) is authorized to transact business within South Carolina, (b) maintains an office* in South Carolina, (c) either (1) maintains a minimum \$10,000.00 representative inventory at the time of the solicitation, or (2) is a				outh 0.00	*ADDRE	SS A	AND PHO	NE OF IN	I-STAT	TE OFFICE	
manufacturer which is headquartered and has at least a ter million dollar payroll in South Carolina, and the product is made of processed from raw materials into a finished end-product by such				ten e or uch							
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PREFERENCES – SC/US END-PRODUCT (June 2005): Section 11-35-1524 provides a preference to vendors offering South Carolina end-products or US end-products, if those products are made, manufactured, or grown in SC or the US, respectively. An end-product is the item identified for acquisition in this solicitation, including all component parts in final form and ready for the use intended. The terms "made," "manufactured," and "grown" are defined by Section 11-35-1524(B). By signing your offer and checking the appropriate space(s) provided and identified on the bid schedule, offeror certifies that the end-product(s) is either made, manufactured or grown in South Carolina, or other states of the United States, as applicable. Preference will be applied as required by law.

PROCUREMENT, PART VII (BIDDING SCHEDULE) WILL INCLUDE A PLACE TO CLAIM THE PREFERENCE.

OFFERORS REQUESTING THIS PREFERENCE MUST CHECK THE APPROPRIATE SPACES

ON THE BIDDING SCHEDULE.

Solicitation Outline

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I. Scope Of Solicitation

The purpose of this bid invitation is to establish contracts with qualified contractors for devices to prevent sexually transmitted diseases and for contraception. These devices will be used by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) on an as-needed basis. Products purchased by DHEC will be solely for patient care and distributed through DHEC programs and/or clinics and will **NOT BE FOR RESALE**.

AQUIRE SERVICES (JAN 2006): The purpose of this solicitation is to acquire services and supplies complying with the enclosed description and/or specifications and conditions

MAXIMUM CONTRACT PERIOD: January 1, 2008 – December 31, 2009

II. Instructions To Offerors - A. General Instructions

AMENDMENTS TO SOLICITATION (DHEC FEB 2007) (a) The Solicitation may be amended at any time prior to opening. All actual and prospective Offerors should monitor the following web site for the issuance of Amendments: http://www.scdhec.gov/procurement/ (b) Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment to this solicitation (1) by signing and returning the amendment, (2) by identifying the amendment number and date in the space provided for this purpose on Page Two, (3) by letter, or (4) by submitting a bid that indicates in some way that the bidder received the amendment. (c) If this solicitation is amended, then all terms and conditions which are not modified remain unchanged.

AWARD NOTIFICATION (JUNE 2006) Notice regarding any award or cancellation of award will be posted at the location specified on the Cover Page. The date and location of posting will be announced at opening. If the contract resulting from this Solicitation has a total or potential value of fifty thousand dollars or more, such notice will be sent to all Offerors responding to the Solicitation. Should the contract resulting from this Solicitation have a potential value of one hundred thousand dollars or more, such notice will be sent to all Offerors responding to the Solicitation and any award will not be effective until the eleventh day after such notice is given.

BID / PROPOSAL AS OFFER TO CONTRACT (JANUARY 2006) By submitting Your Bid or Proposal, You are offering to enter into a contract with the Using Governmental Unit(s). Without further action by either party, a binding contract shall result upon final award. Any award issued will be issued to, and the contract will be formed with, the entity identified as the Offeror on the Cover Page. An Offer may be submitted by only one legal entity; "joint bids" are not allowed

BID ACCEPTANCE PERIOD (JANUARY 2006) In order to withdraw Your Offer after the minimum period specified on the Cover Page, You must notify the Procurement Officer in writing.

BID IN ENGLISH & DOLLARS (JANUARY 2006) Offers submitted in response to this solicitation shall be in the English language and in US dollars, unless otherwise permitted by the Solicitation.

BOARD AS PROCUREMENT AGENT (DHEC FEB 2007) (a) Authorized Agent. All authority regarding the conduct of this procurement is vested solely with the responsible Procurement Officer. Unless specifically delegated in writing, the Procurement Officer is the only government official authorized to bind the government with regard to this procurement. (b) Purchasing Liability. The Procurement Officer is an employee of the Department of Health and Environmental Control acting on behalf of DHEC pursuant to the Consolidated Procurement Code.

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS (JANUARY 2006)

- (a)(1) By submitting an Offer, Offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that-
- (i) Offeror and/or any of its Principals-
- (A) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any state or federal agency;
- (B) Have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, state, or local) contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, or receiving stolen property; and (C) Are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity with, commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(B) of this provision.
- (ii) Offeror has not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, had one or more contracts terminated for default by any public (Federal, state, or local) entity.
- (2) "Principals," for the purposes of this certification, means officers; directors; owners; partners; and, persons having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity (e.g., general manager; plant manager; head of a subsidiary, division, or business segment, and similar positions).
- (b) Offeror shall provide immediate written notice to the Procurement Officer if, at any time prior to contract award, Offeror learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- (c) If Offeror is unable to certify the representations stated in paragraphs (a)(1), Offer must submit a written explanation regarding its inability to make the certification. The certification will be considered in connection with a review of the Offeror's responsibility. Failure of the Offeror to furnish additional information as requested by the Procurement Officer may render the Offeror nonresponsible.
- (d) Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render, in good faith, the certification required by paragraph (a) of this provision. The knowledge and information of an Offeror is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- (e) The certification in paragraph (a) of this provision is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making award. If it is later determined that the Offeror knowingly or in bad faith rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the State, the Procurement Officer may terminate the contract resulting from this solicitation for default.

CODE OF LAWS AVAILABLE (JAN 2006): The South Carolina Code of Laws, including the Consolidated Procurement Code, is available at http://www.scstatehouse.net/code/statmast.htm. The South Carolina Regulations are available at: http://www.scstatehouse.net/coderegs/statmast.htm.

COMPLETION OF FORMS / CORRECTION OF ERRORS (JAN 2006): All prices and notations should be printed in ink or typewritten. Errors should be crossed out, corrections entered and initialed by the person

signing the bid. Do not modify the solicitation document itself (including bid schedule). (Applicable only to offers submitted on paper.)

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF OFFER (JANUARY 2006) Any offer received after the Procurement Officer of the governmental body or his designee has declared that the time set for opening has arrived, shall be rejected unless the offer has been delivered to the designated purchasing office or the governmental bodies' mail room which services that purchasing office prior to the bid opening. [R.19-445.2070(H)]

DEFINITIONS (JANUARY 2006) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED HEREIN, THE FOLLOWING DEFINITIONS ARE APPLICABLE TO ALL PARTS OF THE SOLICITATION.

AMENDMENT – means a document issued to supplement the original solicitation document.

BOARD – means the South Carolina Budget & Control Board.

BUYER - means the Procurement Officer.

CHANGE ORDER - means any written alteration in specifications, delivery point, rate of delivery, period of performance, price, quantity, or other provisions of any contract accomplished by mutual agreement of the parties to the contract.

CONTRACT - See clause entitled "Contract Documents & Order of Precedence."

CONTRACT MODIFICATION – means a written order signed by the Procurement Officer, directing the contractor to make changes which the changes clause of the contract authorizes the Procurement Officer to order without the consent of the contractor.

CONTRACTOR - means the Offeror receiving an award as a result of this solicitation.

COVER PAGE – means the top page of the original solicitation on which the solicitation is identified by number. Offerors are cautioned that Amendments may modify information provided on the Cover Page.

OFFER – means the bid or proposal submitted in response this solicitation. The terms "Bid" and "Proposal" are used interchangeably with the term "Offer."

OFFEROR – means the single legal entity submitting the offer. The term "Bidder" is used interchangeably with the term "Offeror." See bidding provisions entitled "Signing Your Offer" and "Bid/Proposal As Offer To Contract." ORDERING ENTITY - Using Governmental Unit that has submitted a Purchase Order.

PAGE TWO – means the second page of the original solicitation, which is labeled Page Two.

PROCUREMENT OFFICER – means the person, or his successor, identified as such on the Cover Page. YOU and YOUR – means Offeror.

SOLICITATION - means this document, including all its parts, attachments, and any Amendments.

STATE – means the Using Governmental Unit(s) identified on the Cover Page.

SUBCONTRACTOR – means any person having a contract to perform work or render service to Contractor as a part of the Contractor's agreement arising from this solicitation.

USING GOVERNMENTAL UNIT – means the unit(s) of government identified as such on the Cover Page. If the Cover Page names a "Statewide Term Contract" as the Using Governmental Unit, the Solicitation seeks to establish a Term Contract [11-35-310(35)] open for use by all South Carolina Public Procurement Units [11-35-4610(5)].

WORK - means all labor, materials, equipment and services provided or to be provided by the Contractor to fulfill the Contractor's obligations under the Contract.

DRUG FREE WORK PLACE CERTIFICATION (JANUARY 2006) By submitting an Offer, Contractor certifies that, if awarded a contract, Contractor will comply with all applicable provisions of The Drug-free Workplace Act, Title 44, Chapter 107 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended.

DUTY TO INQUIRE (JANUARY 2006) Offeror, by submitting an Offer, represents that it has read and understands the Solicitation and that its Offer is made in compliance with the Solicitation. Offerors are expected to examine the Solicitation thoroughly and should request an explanation of any ambiguities, discrepancies, errors, omissions, or conflicting statements in the Solicitation. Failure to do so will be at the Offeror's risk. Offeror assumes responsibility for any patent ambiguity in the Solicitation that Offeror does not bring to the State's attention.

ETHICS ACT (JANUARY 2006) By submitting an Offer, You certify that You are in compliance with South Carolina's Ethics, Government Accountability, and Campaign Reform Act of 1991, as amended. The following statutes require special attention: (a) Offering, giving, soliciting, or receiving anything of value to influence action of public employee – Section 8-13-790, (b) Recovery of kickbacks – Section 8-13-790, (c) Offering, soliciting, or receiving money for advice or assistance of public official – Section 8-13-720, (d) Use or disclosure of

confidential information – Section 8-13-725, and (e) Persons hired to assist in the preparation of specifications or evaluation of bids – Section 8-13-1150.

OMIT TAXES FROM PRICE (JANUARY 2006): Do not include any sales or use taxes in Your price that the State may be required to pay.

PROTESTS (JUNE 2006) Any prospective bidder, offeror, contractor, or subcontractor who is aggrieved in connection with the solicitation of a contract shall protest within fifteen days of the date of issuance of the applicable solicitation document at issue. Any actual bidder, offeror, contractor, or subcontractor who is aggrieved in connection with the intended award or award of a contract shall protest within ten days of the date notification of award is posted in accordance with this code. A protest shall be in writing, shall set forth the grounds of the protest and the relief requested with enough particularity to give notice of the issues to be decided, and must be received by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer within the time provided. See clause entitled "Protest-CPO". [~ 11-35-4210]

PUBLIC OPENING (JANUARY 2006) Offers will be publicly opened at the date / time and at the location identified on the Cover Page, or last Amendment, whichever is applicable.

QUESTIONS FROM OFFERORS (JANUARY 2006): (a) Any prospective offeror desiring an explanation or interpretation of the solicitation, drawings, specifications, etc., must request it in writing. Questions must be received by the Procurement Officer no later than five (5) days prior to opening unless otherwise stated on the Cover Page. Label any communication regarding your questions with the name of the procurement officer, and the solicitation's title and number. Oral explanations or instructions will not be binding. Any information given a prospective offeror concerning a solicitation will be furnished promptly to all other prospective offerors as an Amendment to the solicitation, if that information is necessary for submitting offers or if the lack of it would be prejudicial to other prospective offerors. (b) The State seeks to permit maximum practicable competition. Offerors are urged to advise the Procurement Officer – as soon as possible – regarding any aspect of this procurement, including any aspect of the Solicitation, that unnecessarily or inappropriately limits full and open competition.

REJECTION/CANCELLATION (JANUARY 2006) The State may cancel this solicitation in whole or in part. The State may reject any or all proposals in whole or in part. [SC Code Section 11-35-1710 & R.19-445.2065.]

RESPONSIVENESS / IMPROPER OFFERS (JANUARY 2006)

- (a) Bid as Specified. Offers for supplies or services other than those specified will not be considered unless authorized by the Solicitation.
- (b) Multiple Offers. Offerors may submit more than one Offer, provided that each Offer has significant differences other than price. Each separate Offer must satisfy all Solicitation requirements. If this solicitation is an Invitation for Bids, each separate offer must be submitted as a separate document. If this solicitation is a Request for Proposals, multiple offers may be submitted as one document, provided that you clearly differentiate between each offer and you submit a separate cost proposal for each offer, if applicable.
- (c) Responsiveness. Any Offer which fails to conform to the material requirements of the Solicitation may be rejected as nonresponsive. Offers which impose conditions that modify material requirements of the Solicitation may be rejected. If a fixed price is required, an Offer will be rejected if the total possible cost to the State cannot be determined. Offerors will not be given an opportunity to correct any material nonconformity. Any deficiency resulting from a minor informality may be cured or waived at the sole discretion of the Procurement Officer. IR.19-445.2070 and Section 11-35-1520(13)]
- (d) Price Reasonableness: Any offer may be rejected if the Procurement Officer determines in writing that it is unreasonable as to price. [R. 19-445.2070].
- (e) Unbalanced Bidding. The State may reject an Offer as nonresponsive if the prices bid are materially unbalanced between line items or subline items. A bid is materially unbalanced when it is based on prices significantly less than cost for some work and prices which are significantly overstated in relation to cost for other work, and if there is a reasonable doubt that the bid will result in the lowest overall cost to the State even

though it may be the low evaluated bid, or if it is so unbalanced as to be tantamount to allowing an advance payment.

RESTRICTIONS APPLICABLE TO OFFERORS (JANUARY 2006) Violation of these restrictions may result in disqualification of your offer, suspension or debarment, and may constitute a violation of the state Ethics Act. (a) After issuance of the solicitation, *you agree not to discuss this procurement activity in any way with the Using Governmental Unit or its employees, agents or officials*. All communications must be solely with the Procurement Officer. This restriction may be lifted by express written permission from the Procurement Officer. This restriction expires once a contract has been formed. (b) Unless otherwise approved in writing by the Procurement Officer, *you agree not to give anything to any Using Governmental Unit*

SIGNING YOUR OFFER (JANUARY 2006) Every Offer must be signed by an individual with actual authority to bind the Offeror. (a) If the Offeror is an individual, the Offer must be signed by that individual. If the Offeror is an individual doing business as a firm, the Offer must be submitted in the firm name, signed by the individual, and state that the individual is doing business as a firm. (b) If the Offeror is a partnership, the Offer must be submitted in the partnership name, followed by the words "by its Partner," and signed by a general partner. (c) If the Offeror is a corporation, the Offer must be submitted in the corporate name, followed by the signature and title of the person authorized to sign. (d) An Offer may be submitted by a joint venturer involving any combination of individuals, partnerships, or corporations. If the Offeror is a joint venture, the Offer must be submitted in the name of the Joint Venture and signed by every participant in the joint venture in the manner prescribed in paragraphs (a) through (c) above for each type of participant. (e) If an Offer is signed by an agent, other than as stated in subparagraphs (a) through (d) above, the Offer must state that is has been signed by an Agent. Upon request, Offeror must provide proof of the agent's authorization to bind the principal.

STATE OFFICE CLOSINGS (JANUARY 2006) If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal government processes so that offers cannot be received at the government office designated for receipt of bids by the exact time specified in the solicitation, the time specified for receipt of offers will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal government processes resume. In lieu of an automatic extension, an Amendment may be issued to reschedule bid opening. If state offices are closed at the time a pre-bid or pre-proposal conference is scheduled, an Amendment will be issued to reschedule the conference. Useful information may be available at: http://www.scemd.org/scgovweb/weather_alert.html

SUBMITTING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION (AUG 2002): (An overview is available at www.procurement.sc.gov) For every document Offeror submits in response to or with regard to this solicitation or request, Offeror must separately mark with the word "CONFIDENTIAL" every page, or portion thereof, that Offeror contends contains information that is exempt from public disclosure because it is either (a) a trade secret as defined in Section 30-4-40(a)(1), or (b) privileged and confidential, as that phrase is used in Section 11-35-410. For every document Offeror submits in response to or with regard to this solicitation or request, Offeror must separately mark with the words "TRADE SECRET" every page, or portion thereof, that Offeror contends contains a trade secret as that term is defined by Section 39-8-20 of the Trade Secrets Act. For every document Offeror submits in response to or with regard to this solicitation or request. Offeror must separately mark with the word "PROTECTED" every page, or portion thereof, that Offeror contends is protected by Section 11-35-1810. All markings must be conspicuous; use color, bold, underlining, or some other method in order to conspicuously distinguish the mark from the other text. Do not mark your entire response (bid, proposal, quote, etc.) as confidential, trade secret, or protected! If your response, or any part thereof, is improperly marked as confidential or trade secret or protected, the State may, in its sole discretion, determine it nonresponsive. If only portions of a page are subject to some protection, do not mark the entire page. By submitting a response to this solicitation or request, Offeror (1) agrees to the public disclosure of every page of every document regarding this solicitation or request that was submitted at any time prior to entering into a contract (including, but not limited to, documents contained in a response, documents submitted to clarify a response, and documents submitted during negotiations), unless the page is conspicuously marked "TRADE SECRET" or "CONFIDENTIAL" or "PROTECTED", (2) agrees that any information not marked, as required by these bidding instructions, as a "Trade Secret" is not a trade secret as defined by the Trade Secrets Act, and (3) agrees that, notwithstanding any claims or markings otherwise, any prices, commissions, discounts, or other financial figures used to determine the award, as well as the final contract amount, are subject to public disclosure. In determining whether to release documents, the State will detrimentally rely on Offeror's marking of documents, as required

by these bidding instructions, as being either "Confidential" or "Trade Secret" or "PROTECTED". By submitting a response, Offeror agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the State of South Carolina, it's officers and employees, from every claim, demand, loss, expense, cost, damage or injury, including attorney's fees, arising out of or resulting from the State withholding information that Offeror marked as "confidential" or "trade secret" or "PROTECTED". (All references to S.C. Code of Laws.)

SUBMITTING YOUR OFFER OR MODIFICATION (JANUARY 2006) (a) Offers and offer modifications shall be submitted in sealed envelopes or packages (unless submitted by electronic means) – (1) Addressed to the office specified in the Solicitation; and (2) Showing the time and date specified for opening, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the bidder. (b) If you are responding to more than one solicitation, each offer must be submitted in a different envelope or package. (c) Each Offeror must submit the number of copies indicated on the Cover Page. (d) Offerors using commercial carrier services shall ensure that the Offer is addressed and marked on the outermost envelope or wrapper as prescribed in paragraphs (a)(1) and (2) of this provision when delivered to the office specified in the Solicitation. (e) Facsimile or e-mail offers, modifications, or withdrawals, will not be considered unless authorized by the Solicitation. (f) Offers submitted by electronic commerce shall be considered only if the electronic commerce method was specifically stipulated or permitted by the solicitation.

TAX CREDIT FOR SUBCONTRACTING WITH MINORITY FIRMS (DHEC FEB 2007) Pursuant to Section 12-6-3350, taxpayers, who utilize certified minority subcontractors, may take a tax credit equal to 4% of the payments they make to said subcontractors. The payments claimed must be based on work performed directly for a South Carolina state contract. The credit is capped at \$50,000 per year or the total tax liability; whichever is lesser. The taxpayer is eligible to claim the credit for 10 consecutive taxable years beginning with the taxable year in which the credit is first claimed. There is no carry forward of unused credits. The credit may be claimed on Form TC-2, "Minority Business Credit." A copy of the subcontractor's certificate from the Governor's Office of Small and Minority Business (OSMBA) is to be attached to the contractor's income tax return. Taxpayers must maintain evidence of work performed for a State contract by the minority subcontractor. Questions regarding the tax credit and how to file are to be referred to: SC Department of Revenue, Research and Review, Phone: (803) 898-5786, Fax: (803) 898-5888. The subcontractor must be certified as to the criteria of a "Minority Firm" by the Governor's Office of Small and Minority Business Assistance (OSMBA). Certificates are issued to subcontractors upon successful completion of the certification process. Questions regarding subcontractor certification are to be referred to: Governor's Office of Small and Minority Business Assistance, Phone: (803) 734-0657, Fax: (803) 734-2498. Reference: SC §11-35-5010 - Definition for Minority Subcontractor & SC §11-35-5230 (B) - Regulations for Negotiating with State Minority Firms.

TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (JANUARY 2006): (a) If Offeror is owned or controlled by a common parent as defined in paragraph (b) of this provision, Offeror shall submit with its Offer the name and TIN of common parent.

- (b) Definitions: "Common parent," as used in this provision, means that corporate entity that owns or controls an affiliated group of corporations that files its Federal income tax returns on a consolidated basis, and of which the offeror is a member. "Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)," as used in this provision, means the number required by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to be used by the offeror in reporting income tax and other returns. The TIN may be either a Social Security Number or an Employer Identification Number.
- (c) If Offeror does not have a TIN, Offeror shall indicate if either a TIN has been applied for or a TIN is not required. If a TIN is not required, indicate whether (i) Offeror is a nonresident alien, foreign corporation, or foreign partnership that does not have income effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States and does not have an office or place of business or a fiscal paying agent in the United States;
- (ii) Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a state or local government; (iii) Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a foreign government; or (iv) Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of the Federal Government.

VENDOR REGISTRATION MANDATORY (JANUARY 2006): You must have a state vendor number to be eligible to submit an offer. To obtain a state vendor number, visit www.procurement.sc.gov and select "New Vendor Registration." (To determine if your business is already registered, go to "Vendor Search".) Upon registration, you will be assigned a state vendor number. Vendors must keep their vendor information current. If you are already registered, you can update your information by selecting "Change Vendor Registration." (Please note that vendor registration does not substitute for any obligation to register with the S.C. Secretary of State or S.C. Department of Revenue. You can register with the agencies at http://www.scbos.com/default.htm.)

WITHDRAWAL OR CORRECTION OF OFFER (JANUARY 2006) Offers may be withdrawn by written notice received at any time before the exact time set for opening. If the Solicitation authorizes facsimile offers, offers may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before the exact time set for opening. A bid may be withdrawn in person by a bidder or its authorized representative if, before the exact time set for opening, the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the bid. The withdrawal and correction of Offers is governed by S.C. Code Section 11-35-1520 and Regulation 19-445.2085.

II. Instructions To Offerors - B. Special Instructions

The deadline for submission of questions is <u>November 20, 2007 by 5:00 pm EST</u>. The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SC DHEC) is not under any obligation to respond to further questions, but reserve the right to do so after the deadline. Any follow-up questions must relate only to the amendment issued in the responses provided by DHEC. Questions may be submitted as soon as they arise and all questions do not have to be submitted at one time. When possible, please submit all questions electronically. Address the subject line of your email as follows: QUESTIONS: IFB.CON.12/04/07-MAR. A response in the form of a written amendment to the IFB will be mailed to all bidders and posted on the DHEC's Division of Procurement Services website (www.scdhec.net/procurement)

Mark envelopes on questions mailed: QUESTIONS: IFB #CON.12/04/07-MAR

Title: Questions-IFB.CON.12/04/07-MAR

Attn.: Michelle Robinson, CPPB

QUESTIONS MAY BE E-MAILED TO: OR FAXED TO:

robinsma@dhec.sc.gov 803-898-3505

DISCUSSIONS WITH BIDDERS (JAN 2006) After opening, the Procurement Officer may, in his sole discretion, initiate discussions with you to discuss your bid. Discussions are possible only if your bid is apparently responsive and only for the purpose of clarification to assure your full understanding of the solicitation's requirements. Any discussions will be documented in writing and shall be included with the bid.

OFFERING BY LOT (JAN 2006): Offers may be submitted for one to more complete lots.

PROTEST – CPO – MMO ADDRESS (JUNE 2006): Any protest must be addressed to the Chief Procurement Officer, Materials Management Office and submitted in writing (a) by email to protest-mmo@mmo.state.sc.us (b) by facsimile at 803-737-0639, or (c) by post or delivery to 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia SC 28201.

SAMPLES (JAN 2006): Free samples may be required for testing and/or evaluation. If requested, your failure to provide a sample will result in rejection of your offer. You must send your sample to the Procurement Officer under separate cover, mark the solicitation number on the outside of the shipping carton, and tag each sample with your name and other pertinent information. The Procurement Officer must receive your samples prior to the opening date. Send Sample To: Mark to attn. of buyer listed on cover page.

UNIT PRICES REQUIRED (JAN 2006): Unit price to be shown for each item.

III. Scope of Work / Specifications

DELIVERY/PERFORMANCE LOCATION-SPECIFIED (JAN 2006): After award, all deliveries shall be made to the address(es) provided by the DHEC Program Area requesting the products.

The purpose of this bid invitation is to establish contracts with qualified contractors for devices to prevent sexually transmitted diseases and for contraception. These devices will be used by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) on an as-needed basis. Products purchased by DHEC will be solely for patient care and distributed through DHEC programs and/or clinics and will **NOT BE**

FOR RESALE.

The attached detailed specifications must be complied with in providing the contraceptive products identified herein.

A. GENERAL

QUALITY STANDARDS

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY: All bidders who respond with a quote(s) to this solicitation must meet the following quality standards:

- 1. **Product Regulations:** Condoms offered by bidders must meet all current ASTM Standards D-3492-96. Upon request, the bidder must submit independent laboratory reports from a laboratory listed in the latest edition of the ASTM Directory of Testing Laboratories, verifying that the dry and lubricated condoms exactly as bid have been sampled and tested in accordance with ASTM D-3492 and meet all requirements therein. Additional testing that may be required by DHEC by an independent laboratory. This testing will be done at the expense of the manufacturer.
- 2. Bidders shall provide adequate certification that the condoms, dressing materials (powders, lubricants, etc) and all compounding materials (additives, etc.) are in compliance with provisions of current Food and Drug Administration (FDA) requirements and the code of federal regulation Title 21, Chapter 1.

3. Finished Products:

3.1 **Male condoms:** Finished products shall conform, as a minimum, to applicable current USP/NF tests and standards set forth by the National Institute of Health, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and any other applicable regulatory agency.

Female condoms: Finished products shall conform, as a minimum, to specifications defined in approved PMA (Pre-market Approved) standards. The female condom is a Class III medical device that is regulated by the FDA.

- 4. Bidders shall certify that the product conforms to the producer's own proposed specifications, standards and quality assurance practices. An outline of the manufacturer's quality assurance procedures must accompany this bid.
- 5. Bidders must submit an outline of the manufacturer's condom testing methods and the resulting defect rate incurred during the previous twelve-month period. Bidder must also submit the defect rate incurred for FDA's lot inspections during the last twelve months. DHEC reserves the right to consider defect rate as an award criteria.
- 6. Bidders shall certify that the product offered is the same product sold in the commercial market place.
- 7. **Facility Regulations:** Bidders shall provide the Federal Drug Administration 510K product registration number and FDA Site Registration number for the manufacturing facility.
- 8. **DHEC** reserves the right, if necessary; to perform on-site inspections of the manufacturing process and review the manufacturer's product quality control(s) program.
- 9. **Packaging:** All products offered by the bidder shall be labeled in accordance with the Federal Foods, Drug and Cosmetic Act.
 - 9.1 Each individually packaged product shall be legibly marked to show the manufacturer, the manufacturer's lot or control number, and the product expiration date.

- 9.2 Products must have a minimum of one-year shelf life at the time of delivery.
- 9.3 All products shall be accompanied by instructions for use.

B. SPECIAL PROVISIONS

- 1. Your bid must be legible and clearly indicate the manufacturer's name, product brand, and product number, unit price, and packaging. If the product label identifies the distributor rather than the manufacturer, the bidder shall indicate both the distributor and the manufacturer's name and country of origin. Noncompliance of these requirements may cause your bid to be rejected.
- 2. If requesting South Carolina/United States made, manufactured or grown end product preference, refer to the bidding schedule and specify preference by indicating the appropriate preference in each lot.
- 3. **Estimated Usage:** Estimated usages of items herein are given where known or available. It should be noted where usage of one (1) is given, historical data is not available to obtain an estimated usage, therefore usage quantity is unknown. The total purchases or quantities to be issued against this contract are not known. The estimates given herein are purely for bidding purposes. DHEC is not obligated to purchase any minimum or maximum quantities during the contracted period. The contractor is obligated to provide any quantity ordered unless such quantities do not meet the accepted minimum order requirements.
- 4. Prices quoted must include all packing and handling charges. Return only the pages of the bid sheets on which you have submitted pricing.
- 5. **Caution to Bidders:** Any changes, exceptions, or rejections made on any portion of this bid notice and bid sheets must be clearly noted by the clause or item affected. DHEC reserves the right to reject any bid that makes any changes, rejections, and/or counter-offers on any portion of this bid.
- 6. **Award:** Because patient preference is vital to product use, DHEC reserves the right to make multiple awards for a single item when it is necessary to satisfy the needs of DHEC's patients.

 6.1 Minimum order quantities or minimum value per shipment or order may be a factor in
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C. GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. Contract Period: From January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008

Maximum Contract Period: January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2009

- 2. **Option to Renew:** This contract will automatically extend on the anniversary date unless either party elects otherwise as allowed in the contract. Said renewal may be less than, but will not exceed, **one (1)** additional one-year period.
- Option to add/delete products: DHEC reserves the right to add and/or delete any products during the
 contract period. The contract administrator will issue the appropriate modifications to include quantities,
 stock numbers and cost.
 - a. If the vendor, any time during the contract, would like to make any changes to the contract; those changes including the item description, stock number, size, and cost, must be submitted in writing to DHEC Division of Procurement Services, Attn: Michelle Robinson.

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) assume no responsibility for products other than those covered by the contract and identified on DHEC's purchase order.

4. Any questions regarding any aspect of this solicitation should be directed to Michelle Robinson, CPPB, Procurement Manager, telephone number 803-898-3469, fax number: (803) 898-3505, E-mail address: robinsma@dhec.sc.gov.

D. SPECIAL CONDITIONS

- 1. This contract will be based on drop shipments to approximately fifty locations throughout South Carolina.
- 2. Items will be ordered as needed via telephone and referencing the purchase order number.
- 3. It is understood and agreed that orders will be shipped at the prices in effect on the date shown on the purchase order. Orders may be issued against this contract up to and including the last day of the contract period, provided delivery is called for within the delivery period specified in the contract. Any decrease in the cost of the contractors of the finished product due to a general decline in the market, other effective factors, or voluntary price reductions shall be forwarded to the contract coordinator with immediate inception into the term period.
- 4. **Deliveries:** All deliveries shall be F.O.B. Destination. It is agreed by parties hereto delivery by the contractor to the common carrier does not constitute delivery to DHEC. Any claims for loss or damages shall be between the contractor and the carrier.
 - 4.1 Incorrect Deliveries: It shall be the responsibility of the contractor to pick-up and make correct any deliveries made to the wrong address. Any freight charges incurred in shipping items to the incorrect addresses and/or re-routing to the correct addresses shall be borne solely by the contractor.
- 5. **Delivery Timespan:** Bids are based on shipment of orders within two to five working days of receipt or order. If delivery of items requires more than five days from date of order due to force majuere, the contractor will immediately notify DHEC, either in writing or by telephone. DHEC may accept the delay or cancel the order with no penalty imposed on the contractor.
- 6. All shipments <u>must</u> contain a packing list. The packing list and invoice must show the purchase order number.
- 7. **Invoicing:** Invoicing shall be on a per order or shipment basis. All invoices, in triplicate, covering each purchase order or shipment shall be mailed to the "Invoice To" location indicated on the purchase order.
- 8. **Return Goods Policy:** DHEC requires a return goods policy of one year after the expiration date. The contractor shall issue a credit memo or credit check for the full amount of returned goods value.
- 9. Because of the nature of Federal and State funded programs, when DHEC has been issued credit memos and foresees no possibility of using the credit memos in the upcoming six months, the DHEC Bureau of Finance reserves the right to request a credit check in the amount of the credit memo to clear the account. The credit check from the contractor will be submitted within thirty days of the written request.
- 10. **PRICE ADJUSTMENT BASED ON CONTRACTOR'S COST:** Any request for price increase must be submitted to the Bureau of Business Management at least 90 days prior to the automatic renewal date.

Price increases will only become effective if approved in writing by the Bureau of Business Management.

The maximum increase will not exceed the unadjusted percent change from the previous year shown in Table 6 of the Producer Price Index (PPI) for all commodities or in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) Urban Consumers (CPI-U), "Other Goods and Services" for services.

- 11. **Inventory:** The contractor is required to maintain or to have available for his own use an inventory sufficient to make shipment within the time stated in this bid notice. Upon agreement between DHEC and a contractor during the term of the contract, a stock level of the item may be negotiated; in which case the contractor will maintain said negotiated stock level.
- 12. **Substitutions:** It will not be permissible for the contractor to deliver any manufacturer brands other than those awarded on the contract without permission from DHEC's purchasing division. Failure to do so may result in the vendor being removed from any state contract.
- 13. **Repackaging/Re-labeling**: The contractor must notify DHEC of any product re-labeling or repackaging. If repackaging or re-labeling does not satisfy DHEC's requirements, DHEC reserves the right to approve the change before further orders are made.
- 14. **Replacement:** The contractor agrees to promptly replace any contraceptive products deemed defective or unsatisfactory. Replacement will be without cost to DHEC. The contractor shall reimburse DHEC for any costs incurred in shipments.
- 15. After the award, any decrease in the contractor's cost of the finished product due to a general decline in the market, other effective factors, or voluntary price reductions shall be forwarded to Michelle Robinson at SC DHEC, Division of Procurement Services, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia SC 29201
- 16. Where requirements are not otherwise stated in this bid package, all contractors must comply with the "Poison Prevention Packaging Act" of 1970, subsequent amendments, and any applicable South Carolina State Laws.
- 17. **Subcontracting:** No portion of this contract may be subcontracted without prior written approval of DHEC.
- 18. The contractor must agree to make positive efforts to use small and minority-owned businesses. The contractor must submit quarterly, to DHEC, the dollar value of goods purchased from minority-owned businesses USING DHEC funds during the contract period.
- 19. All applicable rules and regulations stated in OMB Circular No. A-102 Attachment O will apply to this contract.
- 20. **Modifications:** The contractor agrees to notify Michelle Robinson, DHEC, Bureau of Business Management, Procurement Services, of any change in address, product, NDC number, case packaging, etc., **IN WRITING**, thirty days prior to any change becoming effective.
- 21. **Product Recalls**: Any product recall information during the term of the contract must be submitted in writing to Michelle Robinson, DHEC, Bureau of Business Management, Procurement Services, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia SC 29201.

E. PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS:

- 1. THE MANUFACTURER AND EXPIRATION DATE <u>MUST</u> APPEAR ON THE LABEL OF THE PACKAGE FROM WHICH THE PRODUCT IS TO BE DISPENSED.
- 2. Condoms shall be individually packaged and shall be legibly marked to show the manufacturer,

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the manufacturer's lot or control number, and the product expiration date.

- 3. Each individually packaged condom shall be sealed and shall not be allowed to come into contact with oil-based antiseptics, phenols and their derivatives, petroleum-based products, or other materials harmful to rubber. Condoms shall be protected from exposure to heat and light in storage and shipping.
- 4. Condoms shall be made of natural latex (unless otherwise specified as in Item 5), and shall be capable of meeting all requirements and passing all tests specified herein. The latex rubber shall be free of defects, embedded grit, and discoloration.
- 5. Non-Latex condoms shall be made of Polyurethane and shall be capable of meeting all requirements and passing all tests specified herein. The Polyurethane shall be free of defects, embedded grit, and discoloration.
- 6. Condoms shall be transparent and either natural colored or colored as specified herein. The colors shall be clearly indicated on the package or by its packaging.
- 7. Color additives shall be permanent and not leave any residues or dye on the skin or have a harmful or irritating effect on the human body.
- 8. The condoms and any dressing materials applied to them shall not liberate substances that are known to be toxic, sensitizing, locally irritating, or otherwise harmful under normal conditions of use. Condoms shall be in strict compliance with the applicable portions of and have been tested in accordance with applicable Food and Drug Administration regulations in force at the time of manufacture of the condom and are in compliance with applicable portion of the code of federal regulations Title 21, Chapter 1.
- 9. Non-Lubricated condoms shall be powdered to prevent the latex form sticking to itself and to facilitate mechanical manipulation of the condoms.
- 10. Lubricated condoms shall be dressed without Nonoxynol-9. Powders and lubricants shall be applied directly to the condoms in accordance with the manufacturer's standard practice.
- 11. Dimensions: Condoms shall be tested in accordance with ASTM D-3492-96 and meet the dimension requirements specified therein.

- 12. Tensile strength, breaking force, and ultimate elongation of condoms shall conform to ASTM D-3492-89 standard.
- 13. Sample Requirement: Bidders will be required to supply samples of any product offered. Samples may be used for analysis of the product offered, prior to the award of the bid.
 - A. All samples, (at least 3), must be submitted within a container, and labeled with Bidder's name and the solicitation number of bid.
 - B. All samples supplied by the Bidder must be actual "working" production samples, complete with standard product identification, as normally supplied under contract to any Buyer.
 - C. DHEC will not return any requested samples.
 - D. Samples to be supplied Free of charge.

IV. Information For Offerors To Submit

INFORMATION FOR OFFERORS TO SUBMIT - GENERAL (JAN 2006): Offeror shall submit a signed Cover Page and Page Two. Offeror should submit all other information and documents requested in this part and in parts II.B. Special Instructions; III. Scope of Work; V. Qualifications; VIII. Bidding Schedule/Price Proposal; and any appropriate attachments addressed in section IX. Attachments to Solicitations.

Do not include more than one bid invitation per envelope. If directing any other correspondence address the envelope to the Procurement Officer, but do not include the bid number on this envelope since it does not include your bid.

By submission of a bid, you are guaranteeing that all goods and/or services meet the requirements of the bid during the contract period.

DESCRIPTIVE LITERATURE – REQUIRED (JAN 2006): Your offer must include manufacturer's latest literature showing complete product specifications.

IMPORTANT

FAILURE TO SIGN AND COMPLETE THE SECTIONS BELOW MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR BID. PLEASE COMPLETE IN FULL.

"I certify that this bid is made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any corporation, firm, or person submitting a bid for the same materials, supplies, or equipment and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. I certify that I am authorized to sign this bid and authorized to contract for the bidder named below"

COMPANY:	SIGNATURE:(manual):
PAYMENT TERMS:(typed):	SIGNATURE
	TITLE (typed):
FEIN OR S.S. NO.:	TELEPHONE NO:
AWARD NOTICE TO BE SENT TO:ATTENTION:	
LIST THE EXACT ADDRESS TO WHICH PURCHASE ORDERS ARE TO BE MAILED:	LIST THE EXACT ADDRESS FOR
TELEPHONE NO.:	TELEPHONE NO.:
TOLL FREE NO.:	TOLL FREE NO.:
FAX NO.:	FAX NO.:
ORDERS CONTACT PERSON:	
PAYMENT CONTACT PERSON:	
AREA REPRESENTATIVE OR SALESPERSON	N:
TELEPHONE NO.:	

V. Qualifications

QUALIFICATION OF OFFEROR (JAN 2006) To be eligible for award of a contract, a prospective contractor must be responsible. In evaluating an Offeror's responsibility, the State Standards of Responsibility [R.19-445.2125] and information from any other source may be considered. An Offeror must, upon request of the State, furnish satisfactory evidence of its ability to meet all contractual requirements. Unreasonable failure to supply information promptly in connection with a responsibility inquiry may be grounds for determining that you are ineligible to receive an award. S.C. Code Section 11-35-1810.

SUBCONTRACTOR – IDENTIFICATION (JAN 2006): If you intend to subcontract with another business for any portion of the work and that portion exceeds 10% of your price, your offer must identify that business and the portion of work which they are to perform. Identify potential subcontractors by providing the business' name, address, phone, taxpayer identification number, and point of contact. In determining your responsibility, the state may evaluate your proposed contractors.

VI. Award Criteria-Bids

AWARD BY ITEM OR LOT (JAN 2006): Award will be made by individual items and/or complete lot(s).

AWARD CRITERIA: Because patient preference is vital to product use, DHEC reserves the right to make multiple awards for a single item when it is necessary to satisfy the needs to DHEC patients.

UNIT PRICE GOVERNING (JAN 2006): NOTE: For this solicitation purposes: Case Prices will govern.

TIE BIDS: Tie bids will be resolved as outlined in Section 11-35-1520(9) of the South Carolina Consolidated Procurement Code.

VII. Terms and Conditions - A. General

ASSIGNMENT (JAN 2006): No contract or its provisions may be assigned, sublet, or transferred without the written consent of the Procurement Officer.

BANKRUPTCY (JAN 2006): (a) Notice. In the event the Contractor enters into proceedings relating to bankruptcy, whether voluntary or involuntary, the Contractor agrees to furnish written notification of the bankruptcy to the Using Governmental Unit. This notification shall be furnished within five (5) days of the initiation of the proceedings relating to the bankruptcy filing. This notification shall include the date on which the bankruptcy petition was filed, the identity of the court in which the bankruptcy petition was filed, and a listing of all State contracts against which final payment has not been made. This obligation remains in effect until final payment under this Contract. (b) Termination. This contract is voidable and subject to immediate termination by the State upon the contractor's insolvency, including the filing of proceedings in bankruptcy.

CHOICE-OF-LAW (JAN 2006): The Agreement, any dispute, claim, or controversy relating to the Agreement, and all the rights and obligations of the parties shall, in all respects, be interpreted, construed, enforced and governed by and under the laws of the State of South Carolina, except its choice of law rules. As used in this paragraph, the term "Agreement" means any transaction or agreement arising out of, relating to, or contemplated by the solicitation.

CONTRACT DOCUMENTS & ORDER OF PRECEDENCE (JAN 2006): (a) Any contract resulting from this solicitation shall consist of the following documents: (1) a Record of Negotiations, if any, executed by you and the Procurement Officer, (2) documentation regarding the clarification of an offer [e.g., 11-35-1520(8) or 11-35-1530(6)], if applicable, (3) the solicitation, as amended, (4) modifications, if any, to your offer, if accepted by the Procurement Officer, (5) your offer, (6) any statement reflecting the state's final acceptance (a/k/a "award"), and (7) purchase orders. These documents shall be read to be consistent and complimentary. Any conflict among these documents shall be resolved by giving priority to these documents in the order listed above. (b) The terms and conditions of documents (1) through (6) above shall apply notwithstanding any additional or different terms and conditions in either (i) a purchase order or other instrument submitted by the State or (ii) any invoice or

other document submitted by Contractor. Except as otherwise allowed herein, the terms and conditions of all such documents shall be void and of no effect. (c) No contract, license, or other agreement containing contractual terms and conditions will be signed by any Using Governmental Unit. Any document signed or otherwise agreed to by persons other than the Procurement Officer shall be void and of no effect. DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT (JAN 2006)

- (a) Discounts for prompt payment will not be considered in the evaluation of offers. However, any offered discount will form a part of the award, and will be taken if payment is made within the discount period indicated in the offer by the offeror. As an alternative to offering a discount for prompt payment in conjunction with the offer, offerors awarded contracts may include discounts for prompt payment on individual invoices.
- (b) In connection with any discount offered for prompt payment, time shall be computed from the date of the invoice. If the Contractor has not placed a date on the invoice, the due date shall be calculated from the date the designated billing office receives a proper invoice, provided the state annotates such invoice with the date of receipt at the time of receipt. For the purpose of computing the discount earned, payment shall be considered to have been made on the date that appears on the payment check or, for an electronic funds transfer, the specified payment date. When the discount date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday when Federal Government offices are closed and Government business is not expected to be conducted, payment may be made on the following business day.

DISPUTES (JAN 2006): (1) Choice-of-Forum. All disputes, claims, or controversies relating to the Agreement shall be resolved exclusively by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer in accordance with Title 11, Chapter 35, Article 17 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, or in the absence of jurisdiction, only in the Court of Common Pleas for, or a federal court located in, Richland County, State of South Carolina. Contractor agrees that any act by the Government regarding the Agreement is not a waiver of either the Government's sovereign immunity or the Government's immunity under the Eleventh Amendment of the United State's Constitution. As used in this paragraph, the term "Agreement" means any transaction or agreement arising out of, relating to, or contemplated by the solicitation. (2) Service of Process. Contractor consents that any papers, notices, or process necessary or proper for the initiation or continuation of any disputes, claims, or controversies relating to the Agreement; for any court action in connection therewith; or for the entry of judgment on any award made, may be served on Contractor by certified mail (return receipt requested) addressed to Contractor at the address provided as the Notice Address on Page Two or by personal service or by any other manner that is permitted by law, in or outside South Carolina. Notice by certified mail is deemed duly given upon deposit in the United States mail.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY (JANUARY 2006). Contractor is referred to and shall comply with all applicable provisions, if any, of Title 41, Part 60 of the Code of Federal Regulations, including but not limited to Sections 60-1.4, 60-4.2, 60-4.3, 60-250.5(a), and 60-741.5(a), which are hereby incorporated by reference.

FALSE CLAIMS (JANUARY 2006): According to the S.C. Code of Laws § 16-13-240, "a person who by false pretense or representation obtains the signature of a person to a written instrument or obtains from another person any chattel, money, valuable security, or other property, real or personal, with intent to cheat and defraud a person of that property is guilty" of a crime.

FIXED PRICING REQUIRED (JAN 2006): Any pricing provided by contractor shall include all costs for performing the work associated with that price. Except as otherwise provided in this solicitation, contractor's price shall be fixed for the duration of this contract, including option terms. This clause does not prohibit contractor from offering lower pricing after award.

NON-INDEMNIFICATION (JAN 2006): Any term or condition is void to the extent it requires the State to indemnify anyone.

NOTICE (JAN 2006): (A) After award, any notices shall be in writing and shall be deemed duly given (1) upon actual delivery, if delivery is by hand, (2) upon receipt by the transmitting party of automated confirmation or answer back from the recipient's device if delivery is by telex, telegram, facsimile, or electronic mail, or (3) upon deposit into the United States mail, if postage is prepaid, a return receipt is requested, and either registered or certified mail is used. (B) Notice to contractor shall be to the address identified as the Notice Address on Page

Two. Notice to the state shall be to the Procurement Officer's address on the Cover Page. Either party may designate a different address for notice by giving notice in accordance with this paragraph.

PAYMENT (JAN 2006): (a) The Using Governmental Unit shall pay the Contractor, after the submission of proper invoices or vouchers, the prices stipulated in this contract for supplies delivered and accepted or services rendered and accepted, less any deductions provided in this contract. Unless otherwise specified in this contract, including the purchase order, payment shall not be made on partial deliveries accepted by the Government. (b) Unless the purchase order specifies another method of payment, payment will be made by check. (c) Payment and interest shall be made in accordance with S.C. Code Section 11-35-45. Contractor waives imposition of an interest penalty unless the invoice submitted specifies that the late penalty is applicable.

PUBLICITY (JAN 2006): Contractor shall not publish any comments or quotes by State employees, or include the State in either news releases or a published list of customers, without the prior written approval of the Procurement Officer.

PURCHASE ORDERS (JAN 2006): Contractor shall not perform any work prior to the receipt of a purchase order from the using governmental unit. The using governmental unit shall order any supplies or services to be furnished under this contract by issuing a purchase order. Purchase orders may be used to elect any options available under this contract, e.g., quantity, item, delivery date, payment method, but are subject to all terms and conditions of this contract. Purchase orders may be electronic. No particular form is required. An order placed pursuant to the purchasing card provision qualifies as a purchase order.

SETOFF (JAN 2006): The state shall have all of its common law, equitable, and statutory rights of set-off. These rights shall include, but not be limited to, the State's option to withhold for the purposes of set-off any moneys due to the Contractor under this contract up to any amounts due and owing to the state with regard to this contract, any other contract with any state department or agency, including any contract for a term commencing prior to the term of this contract, plus any amounts due and owing to the state for any other reason including, without limitation, tax delinquencies, fee delinquencies or monetary penalties relative thereto.

SURVIVAL OF OBLIGATIONS (JAN 2006): The Parties' rights and obligations which, by their nature, would continue beyond the termination, cancellation, rejection, or expiration of this contract shall survive such termination, cancellation, rejection, or expiration, including, but not limited to, the rights and obligations created by the following clauses: Indemnification - Third Party Claims, Intellectual Property Indemnification, and any provisions regarding warranty or audit.

TAXES (JAN 2006): Any tax the contractor may be required to collect or pay upon the sale, use or delivery of the products shall be paid by the State, and such sums shall be due and payable to the contractor upon acceptance. Any personal property taxes levied after delivery shall be paid by the State. It shall be solely the State's obligation, after payment to contractor, to challenge the applicability of any tax by negotiation with, or action against, the taxing authority. Contractor agrees to refund any tax collected, which is subsequently determined not to be proper and for which a refund has been paid to contractor by the taxing authority. In the event that the contractor fails to pay, or delays in paying, to any taxing authorities, sums paid by the State to contractor, contractor shall be liable to the State for any loss (such as the assessment of additional interest) caused by virtue of this failure or delay. Taxes based on Contractor's net income or assets shall be the sole responsibility of the contractor.

THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARY (JAN 2006): This Contract is made solely and specifically among and for the benefit of the parties hereto, and their respective successors and assigns, and no other person will have any rights, interest, or claims hereunder or be entitled to any benefits under or on account of this Contract as a third party beneficiary or otherwise.

WAIVER (JANUARY 2006) The State does not waive any prior or subsequent breach of the terms of the Contract by making payments on the Contract, by failing to terminate the Contract for lack of performance, or by failing to strictly or promptly insist upon any term of the Contract. Only the Procurement Officer has actual authority to waive any of the State's rights under this Contract. Any waiver must be in writing.

VII. Terms and Conditions - B. Special

CHANGES (JANUARY 2006)

- (1) Contract Modification. By a written order, at any time, and without notice to any surety, the Procurement Officer may, subject to all appropriate adjustments, make changes within the general scope of this contract in any one or more of the following:
- (a) drawings, designs, or specifications, if the supplies to be furnished are to be specially manufactured for the [State] in accordance therewith;
- (b) method of shipment or packing;
- (c) place of delivery;
- (d) description of services to be performed;
- (e) time of performance (i.e., hours of the day, days of

the week, etc.); or,

- (f) place of performance of the services.
- Subparagraphs (a) to (c) apply only if supplies are furnished under this contract. Subparagraphs (d) to (f) apply only if services are performed under this contract.
- (2) Adjustments of Price or Time for Performance. If any such change increases or decreases the contractor's cost of, or the time required for, performance of any part of the work under this contract, whether or not changed by the order, an adjustment shall be made in the contract price, the delivery schedule, or both, and the contract modified in writing accordingly. Any adjustment in contract price made pursuant to this clause shall be determined in accordance with the Price Adjustment Clause of this contract. Failure of the parties to agree to an adjustment shall not excuse the contractor from proceeding with the contract as changed, provided that the State promptly and duly make such provisional adjustments in payment or time for performance as may be reasonable. By proceeding with the work, the contractor shall not be deemed to have prejudiced any claim for additional compensation, or an extension of time for completion.
- (3) Time Period for Claim. Within 30 days after receipt of a written contract modification under Paragraph (1) of this clause, unless such period is extended by the Procurement Officer in writing, the contractor shall file notice of intent to assert a claim for an adjustment. Later notification shall not bar the contractor's claim unless the State is prejudiced by the delay in notification.
- (4) Claim Barred After Final Payment. No claim by the contractor for an adjustment hereunder shall be allowed if notice is not given prior to final payment under this contract.

CISG (JAN 2006): The parties expressly agree that the UN Convention on the International Sale of Goods shall not apply to this agreement.

DEFAULT (JANUARY 2006)

- (a)(1) The State may, subject to paragraphs (c) and (d) of this clause, by written notice of default to the Contractor, terminate this contract in whole or in part if the Contractor fails to-
- (i) Deliver the supplies or to perform the services within the time specified in this contract or any extension;
- (ii) Make progress, so as to endanger performance of this contract (but see paragraph (a)(2) of this clause); or
- (iii) Perform any of the other material provisions of this contract (but see paragraph (a)(2) of this clause).
- (2) The State's right to terminate this contract under subdivisions (a)(1)(ii) and (1)(iii) of this clause, may be exercised if the Contractor does not cure such failure within 10 days (or more if authorized in writing by the Procurement Officer) after receipt of the notice from the Procurement Officer specifying the failure.
- (b) If the State terminates this contract in whole or in part, it may acquire, under the terms and in the manner the Procurement Officer considers appropriate, supplies or services similar to those terminated, and the Contractor will be liable to the State for any excess costs for those supplies or services. However, the Contractor shall continue the work not terminated.
- (c) Except for defaults of subcontractors at any tier, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs if the failure to perform the contract arises from causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Examples of such causes include (1) acts of God or of the public enemy, (2) acts of the State in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, (3) fires, (4) floods, (5) epidemics, (6) quarantine restrictions, (7)

strikes, (8) freight embargoes, and (9) unusually severe weather. In each instance the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor.

- (d) If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a subcontractor at any tier, and if the cause of the default is beyond the control of both the Contractor and subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs for failure to perform, unless the subcontracted supplies or services were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time for the Contractor to meet the required delivery schedule.
- (e) If this contract is terminated for default, the State may require the Contractor to transfer title and deliver to the State, as directed by the Procurement Officer, any (1) completed supplies, and (2) partially completed supplies and materials, parts, tools, dies, jigs, fixtures, plans, drawings, information, and contract rights (collectively referred to as "manufacturing materials" in this clause) that the Contractor has specifically produced or acquired for the terminated portion of this contract. Upon direction of the Procurement Officer, the Contractor shall also protect and preserve property in its possession in which the State has an interest.
- (f) The State shall pay contract price for completed supplies delivered and accepted. The Contractor and Procurement Officer shall agree on the amount of payment for manufacturing materials delivered and accepted and for the protection and preservation of the property; if the parties fail to agree, the Procurement Officer shall set an amount subject to the Contractor's rights under the Disputes clause. Failure to agree will be a dispute under the Disputes clause. The State may withhold from these amounts any sum the Procurement Officer determines to be necessary to protect the State against loss because of outstanding liens or claims of former lien holders.
- (g) If, after termination, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, or that the default was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties shall, if the contract contains a clause providing for termination for convenience of the State, be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the State. If, in the foregoing circumstances, this contract does not contain a clause providing for termination for convenience of the State, the contract shall be adjusted to compensate for such termination and the contract modified accordingly subject to the contractor's rights under the Disputes clause.
- (h) The rights and remedies of the State in this clause are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this contract.

INDEMNIFICATION - THIRD PARTY CLAIMS (JANUARY 2006): Notwithstanding any limitation in this agreement, Contractor shall defend and indemnify the State of South Carolina, its instrumentalities, agencies, departments, boards, political subdivisions and all their respective officers, agents and employees against all suits or claims of any nature (and all damages, settlement payments, attorneys' fees, costs, expenses, losses or liabilities attributable thereto) by any third party which arise out of, or result in any way from, any defect in the goods or services acquired hereunder or from any act or omission of Contractor, its subcontractors, their employees, workmen, servants or agents. Contractor shall be given written notice of any suit or claim. State shall allow Contractor to defend such claim so long as such defense is diligently and capably prosecuted through legal counsel. State shall allow Contractor to settle such suit or claim so long as (i) all settlement payments are made by (and any deferred settlement payments are the sole liability of) Contractor, and (ii) the settlement imposes no non-monetary obligation upon State. State shall not admit liability or agree to a settlement or other disposition of the suit or claim, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of Contractor. State shall reasonably cooperate with Contractor's defense of such suit or claim. The obligations of this paragraph shall survive termination of the parties' agreement.

MATERIAL AND WORKMANSHIP (JAN 2006): Unless otherwise specifically provided in this contract, all equipment, material, and articles incorporated in the work covered by this contract are to be new and of the most suitable grade for the purpose intended.

OWNERSHIP OF DATA & MATERIALS (JANUARY 2006): All data, material and documentation either prepared for the state pursuant to this contract shall belong exclusively to the State.

PRICE ADJUSTMENTS (JANUARY 2006): (1) Method of Adjustment. Any adjustment in the contract price made pursuant to a clause in this contract shall be consistent with this Contract and shall be arrived at through

whichever one of the following ways is the most valid approximation of the actual cost to the Contractor (including profit, if otherwise allowed):

- (a) by agreement on a fixed price adjustment before commencement of the pertinent performance or as soon thereafter as practicable;
- (b) by unit prices specified in the Contract or subsequently agreed upon;
- (c) by the costs attributable to the event or situation covered by the relevant clause, including profit if otherwise allowed, all as specified in the Contract; or subsequently agreed upon;
- (d) in such other manner as the parties may mutually agree: or.
- (e) in the absence of agreement by the parties, through a unilateral initial written determination by the Procurement Officer of the costs attributable to the event or situation covered by the clause, including profit if otherwise allowed, all as computed by the Procurement Officer in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, subject to the provisions of Title 11, Chapter 35, Article 17 of the S.C. Code of Laws.
- (2) Submission of Price or Cost Data. Upon request of the Procurement Officer, the contractor shall provide reasonably available factual information to substantiate that the price or cost offered, for any price adjustments is reasonable, consistent with the provisions of Section 11-35-1830.

PRICING DATA – AUDIT – INSPECTION (JANUARY 2006) [Clause Included Pursuant to § 11-35-1830, - 2210, & -2220] (a) Cost or Pricing Data. Upon Procurement Officer's request, you shall submit cost or pricing data, as defined by 48 C.F.R. § 2.101 (2004), prior to either (1) any award to contractor pursuant to 11-35-1530 or 11-35-1560, if the total contract price exceeds \$500,000, or (2) execution of a change order or contract modification with contractor which exceeds \$100,000. Your price, including profit or fee, shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums by which the state finds that such price was increased because you furnished cost or pricing data that was inaccurate, incomplete, or not current as of the date agreed upon between parties. (b) Records Retention. You shall maintain your records for three years from the date of final payment, or longer if requested by the chief Procurement Officer. The state may audit your records at reasonable times and places. As used in this subparagraph (b), the term "records" means any books or records that relate to cost or pricing data submitted pursuant to this clause. In addition to the obligation stated in this subparagraph (b), you shall retain all records and allow any audits provided for by 11-35-2220(2). (c) Inspection. At reasonable times, the state may inspect any part of your place of business which is related to performance of the work. (d) Instructions -Certification. When you submit data pursuant to subparagraph (a), you shall (1) do so in accordance with the instructions appearing in Table 15-2 of 48 C.F.R. § 15.408 (2004) (adapted as necessary for the state context), and (2) submit a Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data, as prescribed by 48 CFR § 15.406-2(a) (adapted as necessary for the state context).

(e) Subcontracts. You shall include the above text of this clause in all of your subcontracts. (f) Nothing in this clause limits any other rights of the state.

SHIPPING / RISK OF LOSS (JAN 2006): F.O.B. Destination. Destination is the shipping dock of the Using Governmental Units' designated receiving site, or other location, as specified herein. (See Delivery clause)

TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE (JANUARY 2006) (1) Termination. The Procurement Officer may terminate this contract in whole or in part, for the convenience of the State. The Procurement Officer shall give written notice of the termination to the contractor specifying the part of the contract terminated and when termination becomes effective.

- (2) Contractor's Obligations. The contractor shall incur no further obligations in connection with the terminated work and on the date set in the notice of termination the contractor will stop work to the extent specified. The contractor shall also terminate outstanding orders and subcontracts as they relate to the terminated work. The contractor shall settle the liabilities and claims arising out of the termination of subcontracts and orders connected with the terminated work. The Procurement Officer may direct the contractor to assign the contractor's right, title, and interest under terminated orders or subcontracts to the State. The contractor must still complete the work not terminated by the notice of termination and may incur obligations as are necessary to do so.
- (3) Right to Supplies. The Procurement Officer may require the contractor to transfer title and deliver to the State in the manner and to the extent directed by the Procurement Officer: (a) any completed supplies; and (b) such partially completed supplies and materials, parts, tools, dies, jigs, fixtures, plans, drawings, information, and contract rights (hereinafter called "manufacturing material") as the contractor has specifically produced or specially acquired for the performance of the terminated part of this contract. The contractor shall, upon

direction of the Procurement Officer, protect and preserve property in the possession of the contractor in which the State has an interest. If the Procurement Officer does not exercise this right, the contractor shall use best efforts to sell such supplies and manufacturing materials in a accordance with the standards of Uniform Commercial Code Section 2-706. Utilization of this Section in no way implies that the State has breached the contract by exercise of the Termination for Convenience Clause.

- (4) Compensation. (a) The contractor shall submit a termination claim specifying the amounts due because of the termination for convenience together with cost or pricing data required by Section 11-35-1830 bearing on such claim. If the contractor fails to file a termination claim within one year from the effective date of termination, the Procurement Officer may pay the contractor, if at all, an amount set in accordance with Subparagraph (c) of this Paragraph.
- (b) The Procurement Officer and the contractor may agree to a settlement and that the settlement does not exceed the total contract price plus settlement costs reduced by payments previously made by the State, the proceeds of any sales of supplies and manufacturing materials under Paragraph (3) of this clause, and the contract price of the work not terminated;
- (c) Absent complete agreement under Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, the Procurement Officer shall pay the contractor the following amounts, provided payments agreed to under Subparagraph (b) shall not duplicate payments under this Subparagraph:
- (i) contract prices for supplies or services accepted under the contract;
- (ii) costs reasonably incurred in performing the terminated portion of the work less amounts paid or to be paid for accepted supplies or services;
- (iii) reasonable costs of settling and paying claims arising out of the termination of subcontracts or orders pursuant to Paragraph (2) of this clause. These costs must not include costs paid in accordance with Subparagraph (c)(ii) of this paragraph;
- (iv) any other reasonable costs that have resulted from the termination. The total sum to be paid the contractor under this Subparagraph shall not exceed the total contract price plus the reasonable settlement costs of the contractor reduced by the amount of payments otherwise made, the proceeds of any sales of supplies and manufacturing materials under Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, and the contract price of work not terminated.
- (d) Contractor must demonstrate any costs claimed, agreed to, or established under Subparagraphs (b) and (c) of this Paragraph using its standard record keeping system, provided such system is consistent with any applicable Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.
- (5) Contractor's failure to include an appropriate termination for convenience clause in any subcontract shall not (i) affect the state's right to require the termination of a subcontract, or (ii) increase the obligation of the state beyond what it would have been if the subcontract had contained an appropriate clause.

YEAR 2000 WARRANTY (JAN 2006): Contractor represents and warrants that the equipment is designed to be used prior to, during, and after the calendar year 2000 A.D., and that the equipment will operate during each such time period without error relating to date data, specifically including any error relating to, or the product of, date data which represents or references different centuries or more than one century.

VIII. Bidding Schedule / Price-Business Proposal

CASE PRICE MUST INCLUDE SHIPPING AND HANDLING COST.

CONDOMS MUST BE PACKAGED AS INDICATED, WITH INSTRUCTIONS.

ESTIMATED USAGES OF ITEMS HEREIN ARE GIVEN WHERE KNOWN OR AVAILABLE. IT SHOULD BE NOTED WHERE USAGE OF ONE (1) IS GIVE, HISTORICAL DATE IS NOT AVAILABLE TO OBTAIN AN ESTIMATED USAGE.

Bid as Specified:

LOT1. Lubricant <u>WITHOUT</u> Nonoxynol- 9 (approximately .25oz. size) Estimated usage: 877 cases (@ 500 /Case)

	A SAMPLE IS REQUIRED WITH THE BID	
	Mfg. Name:	Distributor:
	Product Name:	Product No.:
	Quantity Per Case:	Price Per Case:
	Minimum Order Required:	Price Per Unit:
	U.S. End Product? (Y/N):	S.C. End Product? (Y/N):
	Included Items & Quantity? (Instructions, In	nformation, etc):
LOT 2.	Condom, (approximately 52mm width), Lubricated WITHOUT Nonoxynol-9 Estimated usage:1,666 cases (@ 72/Case)	Transparent, Polyurethane, Non-Latex
	A SAMPLE IS REQUIRED WITH THE BID	
	Mfg. Name:	Distributor:
	Product Name:	Product No.:
	Quantity Per Case:	Price Per Case:
	Minimum Order Required:	Price Per Unit:
	U.S. End Product? (Y/N):	S.C. End Product? (Y/N):
	Included Items & Quantity? (Instructions, In	nformation, etc):
LOT 3.	Condom, (approximately 52mm width), Tran Estimated usage: 379 cases (@1,000/CASE) A SAMPLE IS REQUIRED WITH THE BID	
	Mfg. Name:	Distributor:
	Product Name:	Product No.:
	Quantity Per Case:	Price Per Case:
	Minimum Order Required:	Price Per Unit:
	U.S. End Product? (Y/N):	S.C. End Product? (Y/N):

	Included Items & Quantity? (Instructions, Information, etc):				
LOT 4.	Condom, (approximately 52mm width), Transparent, Lubricated WITHOUT Nonoxynol-9 Estimated usage: 3,600 cases (@1,000/CASE) A SAMPLE IS REQUIRED WITH THE BID				
	Mfg. Name:	Distributor:			
	Product Name:	Product No.:			
	Quantity Per Case:	Price Per Case:			
	Minimum Order Required:	Price Per Unit:			
	U.S. End Product? (Y/N):	S.C. End Product? (Y/N):			
	Included Items & Quantity? (Instructions, Information, etc):				
	Nonoxynol-9 Estimated usage: 2,389 cases (@ 1 A SAMPLE IS REQUIRED WITH THE BID	I,000/CASE)			
	Mfg. Name:	Distributor:			
	Product Name:	Product No.:			
	Quantity Per Case:	Price Per Case:			
	Minimum Order Required:	Price Per Unit:			
	U.S. End Product? (Y/N):	S.C. End Product? (Y/N):			
	Included Items & Quantity? (Instructions, Information, etc):				
LOT 6.	Condom, (approximately 52mm width), Black, Lubricated, WITHOUT Nonoxynol-9 Estimated usage: 2,979 cases (@ 1,000/CASE)				
	A SAMPLE IS REQUIRED WITH THE BID				
	Mfg. Name:	Distributor:			

	Product Name:	Product No.:				
	Quantity Per Case:	Price Per Case:				
	Minimum Order Required:	Price Per Unit:				
	U.S. End Product? (Y/N):	S.C. End Product? (Y/N):				
	Included Items & Quantity? (Instructions, In	nformation, etc):				
LOT 7.	Condom, Extra Large, (approx 56mm width), Transparent, Lubricated WITHOUT Nonoxynol-9 Estimated usage: 1 (new item) (@ 1000.Case)					
	A SAMPLE IS REQUIRED WITH THE BID					
	Mfg. Name:	Distributor:				
	Product Name:	Product No.:				
	Quantity Per Case:	Price Per Case:				
	Minimum Order Required:	Price Per Unit:				
	U.S. End Product? (Y/N):	S.C. End Product? (Y/N):				
	Included Items & Quantity? (Instructions, Information, etc):					
LOT 8.	Female Condom, Estimated usage: 130 cases (@ 1000/Case)					
	A SAMPLE IS REQUIRED WITH THE BID					
	Mfg. Name:	Distributor:				
	Product Name:	Product No.:				
	Quantity Per Case:	Price Per Case:				
	Minimum Order Required:	Price Per Unit:				
	U.S. End Product? (Y/N):	S.C. End Product? (Y/N):				
	Included Items & Quantity? (Instructions, Information, etc):					

IX. Attachments To Solicitation

IMPORTANT TAX NOTICE - NONRESIDENTS ONLY

Withholding Requirements for Payments to Nonresidents: Section 12-8-550 of the South Carolina Code of Laws requires persons hiring or contracting with a nonresident conducting a business or performing personal services of a temporary nature within South Carolina to withhold 2% of each payment made to the nonresident. The withholding requirement does not apply to (1) payments on purchase orders for tangible personal property when the payments are not accompanied by services to be performed in South Carolina, (2) nonresidents who are not conducting business in South Carolina, (3) nonresidents for contracts that do not exceed \$10,000 in a calendar year, or (4) payments to a nonresident who (a) registers with either the S.C. Department of Revenue or the S.C. Secretary of State and (b) submits a Nonresident Taxpayer Registration Affidavit - Income Tax Withholding, Form I-312 to the person letting the contract.

The withholding requirement applies to every governmental entity that uses a contract ("Using Entity"). Nonresidents should submit a separate copy of the Nonresident Taxpayer Registration Affidavit - Income Tax Withholding, Form I-312 to every Using Entity that makes payment to the nonresident pursuant to this solicitation. Once submitted, an affidavit is valid for all contracts between the nonresident and the Using Entity, unless the Using Entity receives notice from the Department of Revenue that the exemption from withholding has been revoked.

Section 12-8-540 requires persons making payment to a nonresident taxpayer of rentals or royalties at a rate of \$1,200.00 or more a year for the use of or for the privilege of using property in South Carolina to withhold 7% of the total of each payment made to a nonresident taxpayer who is not a corporation and 5% if the payment is made to a corporation. Contact the Department of Revenue for any applicable exceptions.

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For information about other withholding requirements (e.g., employee withholding), contact the Withholding Section at the South Carolina Department of Revenue at 803-898-5383 or visit the Department's website at www.sctax.org.

This notice is for informational purposes only. This agency does not administer and has no authority over tax issues. All registration questions should be directed to the License and Registration Section at 803-898-5872 or to the South Carolina Department of Revenue, Registration Unit, Columbia, S.C. 29214-0140. All withholding questions should be directed to the Withholding Section at 803-898-5383.



STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

NONRESIDENT TAXPAYER REGISTRATION AFFIDAVIT INCOME TAX WITHHOLDING

I-312

(Rev. 5/7/04) 3323

The undersigned nonresident taxpayer on oath, being first duly sworn, hereby certifies as follows:

 Name of Nonresident Taxpayer: Trade Name, if applicable (Doing Business As): Mailing Address: Federal Identification Number: Hiring or Contracting with: Name: Address: 	
Receiving Rentals or Royalties From: Name: Address:	
Beneficiary of Trusts and Estates: Name: Address:	
6. I hereby certify that the above named nonresider (check the appropriate box): The South Carolina Secretary of State or The South Carolina Department of Revenue	at taxpayer is currently registered with
the jurisdiction of the South Carolina Department of	named nonresident taxpayer has agreed to be subject to Revenue and the courts of South Carolina to determine axes, together with any related interest and penalties.
under Code Sections 12-8-540 (rentals), 12-8-550 (
The undersigned understands that any false statem imprisonment or both.	ent contained herein could be punished by fine,
Recognizing that I am subject to the criminal penalt I have examined this affidavit and to the best of my	ies under Code Section 12-54-44 (B) (6) (a) (i), I declare that knowledge and belief, it is true, correct and complete. (Seal)
Signature of Nonresident Taxpayer (Owner, Partner or Corporate	e Officer, when relevant) Date
If Corporate officer state title:	
(Name - Please Print)	

Mail to: The company or individual you are contracting with.

INSTRUCTIONS NONRESIDENT TAXPAYER REGISTRATION AFFIDAVIT

REQUIREMENTS TO MAKE WITHHOLDING PAYMENTS

Code Section 12-8-550 requires persons hiring or contracting with a nonresident taxpayer to withhold 2% of each payment made to the nonresident where the payments under the contract exceed \$10,000.00. However, this section does not apply to payments on purchase orders for tangible personal property when those payments are not accompanied by services to be performed in this state.

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Code Section 12-8-570 requires trusts or estates making distribution of South Carolina taxable income to a nonresident beneficiary to withhold 7% of the beneficiary's distribution which is attributable to South Carolina taxable income.

PURPOSE OF AFFIDAVIT

A person is not required to withhold taxes with regard to any nonresident taxpayer who submits an affidavit certifying that it is registered with either the South Carolina Secretary of State or the South Carolina Department of Revenue.

Our Internet address is: http://www.sctax.org

OFFEROR'S CHECKLIST AVOID COMMON BID/PROPOSAL MISTAKES

Review this checklist prior to submitting your bid/proposal. If you fail to follow this checklist, you risk having your bid/proposal rejected.

- DO NOT INCLUDE ANY OF YOUR STANDARD CONTRACT FORMS!
- UNLESS EXPRESSLY REQUIRED, DO NOT INCLUDE ANY ADDITIONAL BOILERPLATE CONTRACT CLAUSES.
- REREAD YOUR ENTIRE BID/PROPOSAL TO MAKE SURE YOUR BID/PROPOSAL DOES NOT TAKE EXCEPTION TO ANY OF THE STATE'S MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS.
- Make sure you have properly marked all protected, confidential, or trade secret information in accordance with the instructions entitled: SUBMITTING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION. <u>Do not mark your entire bid/proposal as confidential, trade secret, or protected! <u>Do not include a legend on the cover stating that your entire response is not to be released!</u></u>
- HAVE YOU PROPERLY ACKNOWLEDGED ALL AMENDMENTS? INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING HOW TO ACKNOWLEDGE AN AMENDMENT SHOULD APPEAR IN ALL AMENDMENTS ISSUED.
- Make sure your bid/proposal includes a copy of the solicitation cover page. Make sure
 the cover page is signed by a person that is <u>authorized</u> to contractually bind your
 business.
- Make sure your Bid/Proposal includes the number of copies requested.
- CHECK TO ENSURE YOUR BID/PROPOSAL INCLUDES EVERYTHING REQUESTED!
- IF YOU HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THE SOLICITATION, DO NOT RAISE THOSE CONCERNS IN YOUR RESPONSE! AFTER OPENING, IT IS TOO LATE! IF THIS SOLICITATION INCLUDES A PRE-BID/PROPOSAL CONFERENCE OR A QUESTION & ANSWER PERIOD, RAISE YOUR QUESTIONS AS A PART OF THAT PROCESS! PLEASE SEE INSTRUCTIONS UNDER THE HEADING "SUBMISSION OF QUESTIONS" AND ANY PROVISIONS REGARDING PRE-BID/PROPOSAL CONFERENCES.

This checklist is included only as a reminder to help offerors avoid common mistakes. Responsiveness will be evaluated against the solicitation, <u>not</u> against this checklist. You do not need to return this checklist with your response.